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Our Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JULY 16th, 1910.

Nobody ever seriously contemplated the progress of the New Territories as a reason for the projection of the Kowloon-Canton Railway. The grand ideal of uniting Europe and Asia, the linking of Hongkong to the continental capitals by a line of steel and at the same time establishing more direct communication with London, was the motive which inspired the promoters, whom future generations will bless for their shrewdness and their sentiment. Only men with the Imperial idea well developed could have conceived such a project. It was not the sentimental attraction of bringing Hongkong into more direct communication with Great Britain that appealed to the promoters so much as the trade benefits to be derived from opening the great interior of China, and as the vast territory to be served by the Hankow-Canton Railway feels the stimulating effects of trade and awakens to a new sense of life the advantageous results ought to be experienced in Hongkong, the grand railway terminus, and the great distributing centre. That is no dream. It is an anticipation which is likely to be realised some day, but when that day will dawn it is not for us to say. We know that the British section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway is practically completed. Already several parties have made the trip by rail to the border. We know also that fair progress is being made on the Chinese section. So far so good. But the larger and more important section from Hankow to Canton is not quite in the

same satisfactory condition. Indeed it is far from satisfactory. The innumerable squabbles as to raising money, who shall be allowed to provide loans, and who shall not participate in these, seem to be endless, and until unanimity is reached on the question of providing the necessary funds little progress can be made with the actual work of construction. It is perhaps rather early yet to suggest that pressure should be applied to induce the Chinese to hasten the completion of that line, but once the railway between Kowloon and Canton is opened the contracting parties will have good reason to demand that China should take more progressive measures to secure the performance of her part of the agreement. Somewhere about a fifth or a sixth of the work is all that has been accomplished on this large railway route, and as operations were commenced a number of years ago the progress can only be described as very unsatisfactory. Hongkong is vitally affected by the opening of this through traffic. The long line of railway will bring from sources hitherto untapped freight of varying character and immense quantity. Were it not so the days of the port would be numbered. Shipping would be diverted to better situated places, and Hongkong would languish as Macao has done. But though other ports are claiming a share of the trade which was previously the monopoly of the Colony, Hongkong's prosperity has not yet begun to diminish. Her future is brighter than ever it was, and though her position of pre-eminence may not be quite unassailable, her prospects are such as to encourage an optimistic outlook and a strong belief in the destiny of Great Britain in the Far East.

The German Mail of the 16th June was delivered in London on the 14th inst.

The year 1909 was singularly free from epidemic disease, except that the number of cases of enteric fever was above the average.

Attention is called to the first of a series of articles which appears in the present issue by "Sportsman" under the title "With dog and gun in the New Territory."

Dr. L. Pereira Marques has just returned from his trip to Mexico. He looks well and healthy after being away for about two months. He returns to Macao on Sunday.

We have received information that owing to the severity of the weather the s.s. *Lightning* had to put in at Chittagong on the 6th inst. and discharged part of her cargo, which was damaged.

Cholera continues to spread in the Philippines and no less than 38 towns in six provinces are reported infected. Tuesday's reports showing a total of 127 cases accompanied by 115 deaths. Pangasinan is still the worst province, 23 of its towns being now infected with the disease.

Two cases of boarding-house runners, the *Lia* and the *Change*, arrived at the German steamer *Wong Kai* at the same time on Thursday, and a quarrel arose through a dispute as to which party should first board the ship. In the disturbance one man was seriously cut about the head, and yesterday three of the fighters appeared before Mr. E. R. Hallifax. His Worship ordered each man to pay the injured runner \$5 compensation.

We are requested to state that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has received the sum of \$116 from the Directors of the Hippodrome Circus and Menagerie for distribution in local charities. His Excellency has forwarded one-half of this sum to the Diocesan Girls' School and the other half to the Benevolent Society. We feel sure that residents in the Colony will greatly appreciate the generosity of the Directors of the Circus.

A fish dealer who arrived here by the river steamer *Kwong Sai* on Thursday became an object of interest to a number of coolies on board. They promoted a quarrel in his vicinity, and while he was watching the fight his bag, containing \$319, was stolen and substituted by another. When he discovered the theft he reported the matter to the police. Sergeant Murphy caused a search to be made on board, and the secreted bag and money were recovered.

We are informed by Messrs. Carlowitz & Co., Agents of the Navigazione Generale Italiana, that this company has ceased to do service on the Indo-China run and that from the first inst. a newly started Italian Company will undertake with this line under the style, *Societa Anonima Nazionale dei Servizi Marittimi*. The steamers *Ischia* and *Capri* will continue plying between Hongkong and Bombay with the usual ports of call under the new firm as before and the itinerary will undergo no modification.

The incidence of malaria in the Colony during 1909 shows a reduction as compared with recent years. During the year various works have been carried out in rural districts, and especially in the village of Shan Ki Wai, with a view to reducing the number of breeding places for the mosquito; while the bylaws dealing with the prevention of mosquito breeding have been amended by the Board, so as to make it possible to deal more effectively with their breeding places. This statement appears in the annual report of the Sanitary Department.

Among the passengers leaving for Home today are Mr. and Mrs. J. R. M. Smith and Mr. M. H. Logan.

The eighteenth case of plague, which proved fatal, was reported yesterday from the Peak. It was imported from Canton.

Rear Admiral Lyons, who with Mrs. and Miss Lyons, leave for Home to-day, made his adieu to the officers and members of the naval establishment yesterday.

It is reported that the plant of the ill-fated Junk Bay Mills has been sold to a Japanese firm, the Koko Sankyo Company, who will tranship it to Koko where it will be re-erected.

Sergeant Edwards, who has been in Hongkong Water Police for some years, leaves for the Federated Malay States next week to join the police force there as an inspector. He will be missed in local cricketing ranks.

At the Magistrate's yesterday Mr. E. R. Hallifax sentenced a Chinese to one month's imprisonment and six hours' stocks for stealing a bundle of clothing from a passenger on the s.s. *Kwong Tung*.

FIGHTING AT MACAO

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Macao, July 14th. To-day quietness reigned at Coloman. The big guns were silent, and the gunboat *Patric*, which is anchored in the channel between Coloman and Wong Kam, remained inactive. However, a detachment of soldiers attempted to make an advance into the village but were received by a shower of bullets which compelled the Portuguese to retreat. The village itself is deserted, but the pirates with the village who have joined them are sheltering on the mountain, which, being rocky and having a growth of brushwood, affords excellent cover.

A number of wounded children were found. They were taken to the hospital.

The Chinese gunboats and launches are also watching the island in order to prevent the pirates making their escape.

The opinion expressed by the *Hongkong Daily Press* is shared by the Portuguese, some of whom deplore the military weakness of Macao, which makes an effort like the present tempting to those marauders. It is stated that the pirates are using smokeless powder.

A NOTABLE PERSONALITY IN HONGKONG.

Among the arrivals here yesterday, per s.s. *Tean* may be noted Mr. George N. Wolfe, till lately general manager of the very largest hotel in Manila, if not in the world, although one of the least advertised. It has accommodation for five thousand guests, mostly permanent boarders, and, till lately, was the haven of rest for many provincial rulers of the Philippine Islands. Well known as one of the principal and most respectable institutions of the city, it has passed through stress and vicissitudes triumphantly and still remains the most patronized hotel in this place, if not the most popular. Under the management of Mr. Wolfe it has attained its present well-known efficiency, and the order maintained there must be seen to be believed. For hospitality it is conspicuous. All the guests can be served with their meals in the short space of seven minutes and complaints are never heard. A band plays selections every evening, the musicians themselves being permanent boarders, whilst the guests promenade and disport themselves in the spacious grounds. All the attendants wear a neat becoming uniform.

We have much pleasure in wishing Mr. Wolfe a pleasant and happy stay in the United States, whether he is bound for it will be many years, as we forget the eminently capable and genial warden of Bilibid Prison in Manila, the largest in the world, and certainly, one of the best managed.—Contributed.

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COMMANDANT'S ORDER TO SERAULTS.

The publication of the recent orders issued to the York and Lancaster Regiment at Blackdown to suppress the female dog, the domestic cat, and the wretched mousethe of the non-commissioned officer and private soldier has prompted Mr. W. Brookes Hall, of Bedford, to forward to the *Standard* similar orders recently issued by an engineer major in the Bombay Presidency, of which the following is a copy:

MARRIED OFFICERS IN THE 3RD SAPPERS AND MINERS.

At this the commencement of the leave season and of spring, when a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love, I wish to make clear to every one my ideas on the subject of marriage in the corps in the future.

There is a saying that—
Colonels must
Major may
Captains should not
Subalterns must not

which exactly expresses my feelings. Poonas and Kirkee are expensive places and every married officer makes the mess bills of the rest bigger (it makes no difference how much money he has himself). Again it is only fair to a lady that her husband should pay her attention and give up to her most of his time. Captains and subalterns who have to know their men, to work with them, to play games with them, must find time to be married. In the P. W. D. and M. W. S. it is quite different; a captain has no time to look after; he has no mess and wants a home, and he draws more pay. The house accommodation is also very short in East Kirkee.

For all these reasons the commandant expects that after this date any captain or subaltern who contemplates taking to himself a wife should at the same time ask to be transferred to some other employment.

(Signed) U. W. Evans, Major R.E. Commandant 3rd Sappers and Miners.

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JAPAN IN MANCHURIA.

PEKING, July 15th.

The meeting of the Grand Council to-day favoured a proposal acknowledging receipt of the terms of the new Convention, and expressing satisfaction at the adherence to the Portsmouth Treaty and the maintenance of the status quo in Manchuria.

"MONGOLIA" AGROUND.

Tokyo, July 15th.

The Pacific Mail steamer "Mongolia" is aground near Shimidzu.

LATER.

The latest official statement is that the "Mongolia" is still stuck. Her position is not regarded as serious and hopes are entertained that she will be relocated soon.

LATER.

Efforts to float her at high tide failed, and the liner "Siberia" has been dispatched to her assistance.

(FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO.")

FRENCH AND GERMAN DEMANDS.

PEKING, July 15th.

The German Minister has made a strong demand for the concession to open the gold mine in Kwaishan and to build a dock at Chingtu.

The French Minister has also submitted a request for the concession of certain land in Yunnan.

GOVERNMENT TROOPS DEFEATED IN YUNNAN.

PEKING, July 15th.

The rebels in Yunnan gathered in strong force at Tai-li-ho and Mang-ho where they were attacked by the soldiers who were defeated.

(REUTERS' SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS.")

BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS TIBET.

LONDON, July 14th.

A voluminous Blue-book on Tibet has been published, the principal feature of which is the second despatch of Sir Edward Grey on April 8th insisting upon China observing the various Treaties and Trade Agreements, intimating that Britain was prepared to protect the interests of Nepal, Sikkim and Bhutan, and warning China of the inadvisability of increasing her troops in the vicinity thereof.

NAVAL ESTIMATES.

BRITISH AND GERMAN PROGRAMMES CONTRASTED.

LONDON, July 14th.

In the debate in the House of Commons on the Naval Estimates, Mr. John Dillon, Nationalist M.P., moved that the vote of £3,444,000 for Naval construction be reduced by two millions.

Mr. Asquith deplored the necessity for the increase and deeply regretted that the increase had been associated with the notion of hostility to a friendly nation like Germany. Nothing was further from the truth. "Our relations," he said, "have been and are of the most cordial nature. On comparing programmes it would be seen that Britain would have twenty-five Dreadnoughts in 1913, plus two Colonial Dreadnoughts at the other end of the world. In that year Germany would have twenty-one Dreadnought, plus potentially four Italian, while the number which Austria was building was unknown. The margin

against us was excessive." He recognised that every new Dreadnought delayed some social reform, but national security was the paramount condition of all social reform.

LONDON, July 15th.

Mr. Dillon's motion was rejected by 298 votes to 70.

The vote was thereafter passed.

Mr. Balfour rejoiced that the worst had not happened, but there never had been a time when those responsible for the defence of the country were content to allow such a narrow margin of superiority over a single rival.

Mr. Barnes, Labour M.P., said that Germany at the end of 1912 would have thirteen Dreadnoughts and Great Britain would have twenty-seven including the two provided by the Colonies.

Mr. McKenna stated that the contracts for five Dreadnoughts in the 1910 programme would not be given out in time to be completed in 1912 and he was convinced that any less vote would be insufficient to give security.

(FROM THE "CABLENEWS.")

OWNERSHIP OF LAND IN THE PHILIPPINES.

NEW YORK, July 6th.

The directorate of the sugar trust has disavowed the ownership of land in the Philippine Islands. In answer to questions by agents of the Government, the management of the trust has denied that the organization was in any way interested in the purchase of the San Jose estate in Mindoro, either directly or indirectly. Mr. Pooler, who purchased the Mindoro estate and now managing the property, according to the officials of the trust, is in no way the representative of that concern and holds no property for it in the Philippines.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

July 14th.

A SLAVE GIRL'S ROMANCE. In the San Cheung Village was a young slave girl who was taken seriously ill. Her master, thinking that she would never recover sent her to a charitable medical association together with her "body certificate" saying that if she recovered she was to be the property of the association. It happened that the doctor of the association was a Western-trained man and under his care the girl speedily became well and within a month was completely restored to health and strength. The association then advertised that they desired the girl to be married and invited all between the ages of 19 and 25 who were without wives to present themselves at the hospital on a certain evening. More than forty young men of various grades of society presented themselves and the girl was asked to choose the one she most fancied. Her choice fell on a young fellow called Chi, aged 19, a laborer's assistant, and the two were thereupon united according to Chinese custom. This is said to be the first time on record on which a slavegirl has chosen her own husband.

BAD CHARACTERS.

The Taoist of Police has noticed that there are a very large number of bad characters on the new Bund. This place appears to be a happy hunting ground for thieves, pickpockets and extortioners, and the Taoist has given orders for the various police officers attached to stations in the vicinity of the Bund to redouble their vigilance. Acting on these instructions the police searched a house near the Ng Shun Moon (Five Giant Gate) and in it found a quantity of knives, guns, and iron clubs. Seven men were arrested, but have not yet been tried. No regulars of a secret society was found and the police were at loss to account for their discovery. In the vicinity of this house are a number of gambling shops, and all sorts of bad characters congregate in the neighbourhood. Owing to the abnormal growth of secret societies lately, the police are finding it very hard to preserve order and the task of discriminating good citizens from bad is daily becoming more difficult.

MANCHURIAN THIEVES.

A man named Wong living in Tai Pak Chik Street, had occasion to draw a thousand taels from the bank, and the fact became known to certain bad characters living in the district. On the evening of the day in question they raided the man's house and drove the inmates into a corner, where some of the number overpowered the man with fire-arms. The rest of the gang looted the house and went off with money and valuables worth more than £2,000. (The house reported the matter to the police and six of the robbers were soon caught. Five of these were found to be Manchurians and were handed over to the officer in charge of the Eight Banners Settlement.

MILITARY VIOLENCE.

A diabolical occurrence is reported from the Po Chuen village in the Nam Hoi District. A man named Lin Chin had just returned from Hongkong, where he was in the employ of a foreign firm. At the moment of the man's arrival the military happened to be searching for a unfortunate Lin. Taking him outside the village, they shot him to death and threw his body into the river. A few days after the corpse was discovered near Chan Chuen, and it was found to have knife wounds as well as bullet wounds. The father of the deceased has now come to the village and the commander of the Kung Po camp has been ordered to arrest the murderers.

WITH DOG AND GUN IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

Most every kind of sport indulged in by residents of this Colony has received adequate notice from the local Press, yet it is a curious fact that the oldest sport of all—that indulged in by the followers of Nimrod—receives the least notice or encouragement.

Why this is so it is hard to explain, because the proverbial Englishman by way of relaxation is supposed to say: "Let's go out and kill something," while in this Colony the expression is more often changed to, "Let's go and drink something." There are, however, a fair number of sportsmen who yearly visit a few well known spots in the New Territory and beyond, yet the majority of them have but the vaguest idea where game is most likely to be found, or the quickest and easiest way of reaching this delectable country. The advent of the railway, will, however, serve in some measure to make the New Territory more generally known to sportsmen and others and week-end shooting parties will no doubt become popular.

"With Dog and Gun in the New Territory" might well give the title to an interesting book, but while the writer does not aspire to such heights, the few hints given in this and succeeding articles will, it is hoped, be of some interest to local sportsmen. In its 300 odd square miles of diversified country the New Territory offers a greater variety of sport than it is generally credited with, and one can find in miles of swamp, on grassy hill slopes or in dry, broken country, ample sport to reward him for a little toil and trouble. In season, one can shoot partridge, quail, snipe, duck and curlew, pigeons and doves, besides a few rarer birds such as woodcock, plover, greenback and even pelicans. In the deep ravines which scar the mountain sides are to be found the small barking deer, which are not so hard to get as might be imagined, and whose flesh is quite a delicacy. The whole of the New Territory is admirably suited for game of all kinds, and birds would abound in even greater numbers were it not for the great havoc wrought among them by vermin with which the whole country swarms. Hawks, snakes, foxes and civet cats are the worst offenders, although the first named of these undoubtedly does the greater damage. In the winter season hawks are everywhere. Nothing escapes their keen eyes, and quick is the fate of a partridge or quail caught away from cover. Hunger makes these pests quite fearless. I have seen a "winged" partridge picked up and carried off by a hawk before man or dog could reach it, and nothing smaller than No. 4 shot has any effect on them, and then only at short range. Considering they have so many enemies, it is surprising how numerous the birds really are, and it is doubtless due to the close, thick undergrowth, which clothes the hills and waste land, that so many survive. Most of the birds, too, are migratory, and only the partridge—which, by the way, isn't a partridge—and wood doves may be said to be natives. True, one will find a few winter snipe in boggy places long after the usual snipe season is over, but these, too, vanish with the advent of spring. The close season for game extends from March to September—both months inclusive—but snipe shooting begins generally about the last week in August. In season, therefore, to anyone hoping to make a good "bag" five things are essential: a good pair of legs, a good gun, good ammunition, a good dog, and lastly, the ability to shoot straight. Without these essentials the day's sport will be summed up tersely in one short remark, some foot and no luck. Special attention should be given to foot and leg gear, a pair of not too heavy hobnailed boots should be worn, because on dry grassy slopes without nails one is certain to "come a cropper," and serious accidents might result. Then one should wear puttees in preference to leggings, as the former more effectively prevent and from getting in one's boots, besides being an excellent support to legs and ankles. In making a "bag" a great deal, of course, depends on the dog. Because a dog costs, say, \$300.00 and is of good breed it does not necessarily follow that he is also a good game finder. I have seen some such dogs—the apple of their owner's eye—which were not worth their keep. This is a trying climate for European dogs, and thoroughbred dogs are often delicate, get quickly out of condition, and are unable to last a day among difficult country. A good crossbred—between pointer and setter for preference—is the best dog for hunting purposes. They are generally keener and stronger in legs besides being constitutionally harderier. The majority of local Nimrods go in for keeping either pointer or setter thoroughbreds, and while their possession is no doubt pleasing to those with fat purses, the man of small means who owns a good crossbred will generally go farther and fare better than the aristocrat with his aristocratic dog. I might here diversify and enlarge on the treatment of dogs in general, but will merely content myself with a few remarks and with saying that dog-owners in Hongkong far too often leave the care of valuable dogs in the hands of ignorant "boys" or coolies. They either gorge the animals to excess or else feed them at uncertain time and intervals with the result that many good dogs become mangy and canker-eyed or too fat and flabby to be of the least use in a sporting sense. The juice of soapnut mixed with boiled rice or dog biscuits will, an occasional bone in the proper feed for hunting dogs in this climate. Their principal meal should be at night, and only a smok should be given them in the morning. When not in use hunting dogs should be kept tied up and allowed only a half hour's exercise morning and evening. They should be washed with dog-wash at least once a week, but frequent dry brushings with a stiff brush do more good than too much washing. An occasional dose of "Benbow's" will keep their stomachs and digestion in good order. A lot more might be said, but the above are the main things to observe in the case of a dog.

In the next article the writer will deal with snipe shooting, as next month will see these birds arriving from the North to make a short stay here before proceeding farther South.

SPORTSMAN.

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DURING Mr. J. R. M. SMITH'S absence on leave Mr. N. J. STABBE has been Appointed Acting Chief Manager. G. BALLOCH, Chairman of the Board of Directors. Hongkong, 16th July, 1910. [833]

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THE NEW MINERAL WATERS.
Of late the idea has been growing that the curative effects of mineral waters are due chiefly to radioactivity, which may be lost in bottled natural waters and is not usually present in artificial waters. This theory has led to the establishing of a novel industry at Kreuznach, Germany. The place has mines that produce radium salts, and the product is being used for making radioactive baths and beverages, which are credited with great powers of curing rheumatism, gout, tumors, and other maladies. Various sizes of cylindrical brass charging tanks, called "activators," are employed. These contain small amounts of the insoluble radium compounds, and when water introduced at the top has become sufficiently charged with emanation the liquid is drawn off through a faucet. While the small apparatus for beverages may deal with only one to five quarts of water daily, the larger sizes may yield emanation enough to charge 40 or 50 baths. By this method, radioactivity may be imparted to any kind of mineral water desired, and the degree may be regulated. The product must be kept at rest until wanted, as it loses activity very rapidly on agitation.

TAGGING THE BIRDS.

Whether birds—especially migratory ones—return to the same nests year after year is a question of much interest to the naturalist. Swallows of the summer in England do not winter north of Africa, but an observer at High Helden, Kent, has recorded that one returned April 12 to a nest it occupied last year. It was recognized by a ring placed on its leg May 8, 1909. To gain a better knowledge of birds' habits, more than 2,000 British birds were last year marked with inscribed aluminum rings, and twice as many more will be similarly tagged this year.

PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECT OF MAGNETISM.

The magnetism with which Prof. S. P. Thomson lately showed a perceptible effect on the senses was produced by a powerful alternating current in a nine-inch coil of 32 turns of copper wire. With his head in the coil, the observer in the dark perceived a flickering bluish light, and in broad daylight the flickering persisted.

A BOILER FURNACE WITHOUT CHIMNEY.

The chimneyless steam boiler and furnace now in operation on a Russian torpedo boat, the invention of a Russian naval engineer named Schmidt, dispenses of its combustion gases by passing them into the steam of the engine's cylinders. Liquid fuel, easily yielding combustion without smoke, is essential. The combustion gases are cooled from about 3500 to 1800 degrees F. on leaving the heating surfaces of the boiler, and they are then passed into a tube into which a fine spray of cold water is injected under pressure. This cools the gases to between 650 degrees 900 degrees F., converting the water into superheated steam of the same temperature. The mixture of steam and combustion gases is led to the upper part of the boiler, where it is mingled with the boiler's ordinary supply of steam, and is sent into the cylinders. The boiler, besides requiring no chimney, is claimed to have the further advantage of very high efficiency, utilizing 90 and even as high as 97 per cent. of the heat of the fuel.

CHILE'S EARTHQUAKES.

Chile recently joined the countries having a Seismological Service, which now include Japan, Italy, Austria, Germany, France, Russia, and the United States. Stations for observing earthquakes have been established from Tacos to the South Shetlands, along a meridian nearly 3,000 miles long, and 550 observers note the shocks at 430 different localities. In six months 740 different earthquakes have been recorded, making Chile a rival of Japan as the most shaken country. A novel instrument at Santiago, the first of its kind, is one by P. Macdoni, that is claimed to give warning of approaching earthquakes by its response to electromagnetic waves, set up in advance of the shocks.

WINE WITHOUT ALCOHOL.

For making non-alcoholic wine having the bouquet of natural wine a special method of distillation has been developed in Germany. Temperature and vacuum are so regulated that the most volatile aromatic constituents are passed without volatilizing the alcohol, and the aromatic vapours are received in an absorption liquid of de-alcoholized wine, grape must and sugar. In the second stage the heavier aromatic substances distill over with some alcohol and water, the alcohol and water being separated by their quicker condensation. The remaining alcohol is then distilled off, and the absorption liquids with their aromatic substances are mixed with the wine residue in the still.

METAL INFECTION.

So-called contagious diseases of metals have been given special attention by Prof. Ernest Cohen of Utrecht, who has found the phenomenon really curious. Tin seems to be the most susceptible. When this is exposed to a cold below the freezing-point of mercury, it becomes afflicted with an eruption of pustules, losing its shining surface in a dull gray, and on being cut with a saw it falls to powder or breaks up into a bundle of fibres. The disease has extraordinary infective power. A few grains of the powder placed on the surface of a block of sound tin speedily affects the latter, and transforms it in a few days. This "pest of tin" is the dread of museum curators, many medals and other exhibits falling victims to it. Another melody of tin causes the metal to change structure and become crystalline, and this also can be transmitted by contact. It attacks especially soldered joints, affecting brass and lead in addition to tin. Heating the diseased tin to 250 degrees C., or within a degree of its melting point, does not affect its capacity for infection. The suggested

explanation is that this is a re-crystallization, in which the separate crystalline grains increase instead of being modified. Wrought metal, such as tinplate, tinfoil, etc., seems to take the disease more readily than block tin.

ALCOHOL FOR EMERGENCY ONLY.

In an inquiry by Dr. L. Schauder, of Bern, the conclusions have been reached that alcohol is harmful to mountaineers during a climb, that it may be used as a final stimulus to overcome the last obstacles, and that it may serve as a digestive aid. As a substitute he suggests some substance containing caffeine, such as a powder of 5 grammes each of kola and cocoa with 10 grammes of sugar, to be taken in a little water. In his investigation, he addressed certain questions to 1,200 members of Alpine Clubs Swiss and foreign, and received answers from 573. Of these replying, 412 carried alcohol while mountaineering. There were but 54 total abstainers, but most of those who carried alcohol would use it only very moderately and not at all until necessary.

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ACTUAL CASE OF "SECOND SIGHT."

A remarkable instance of "second sight" was disclosed at an inquest in London held on Sarah Pollock, who threw herself from Tower Bridge. Henry Eady, a waterman, of Alfreton street, E.C., said he found the body in the Thames. "When I got into my boat," he continued, "I had a presentiment that the body of a woman was among the piles by Topping's Wharf."

"You had heard of a missing woman?" suggested Dr. Waldo, the coroner. "No," Eady replied. "I knew of nobody. It was simply a presentiment—something inside me seemed to tell me that a woman's body was there."

"A wonderful gift!" the coroner remarked. "Are you a spiritualist?" "Oh, no!" said Eady, "nothing of that kind. I do not know the name of the church down our way; but my father used to be just like that—he thought of things that came true."

"All I know is that when I first looked at the piles I could not find any body, and I rowed away. But I seemed to be irresistibly drawn back to the spot, and then I did find the body."

"It certainly is a remarkable incident," the coroner observed. "It was stated that the girl lost sixpence while crossing the bridge. She was so much annoyed by the loss that she jumped into the river."

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HOW FIRES INDUCE COOLNESS.

PARADOXICAL CURE FOR HUMID HEAT.

Every one says a London journal of June 17th, grumbled about the humid heat of last week, but no one thought of the one remedy for it—to light the fire.

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"The idea of a fire in the stoves of the sitting-rooms seemed absurd, and few people thought of meeting the weather thus. And yet, paradoxical as it may seem, artificial heat, under the conditions mentioned, is one of the best means of getting rid of the unpleasant feelings set up by these states of damp due to high saturation."

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"During the hot weather of the first week in June of this year the way to combat languor was to light a fire; we are not at all sure that the public and the medical profession might not find between them other simple measures for dealing with physical ills, whose atmospheric origin is as yet not understood."

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FASHIONS AND FANCIES.

THE ROYAL ENCLOSURE.

No garden is more brilliant as a rule than the Royal Enclosure during Ascot week. If lobelias and geraniums, roses, hollyhocks, carnations, sweet peas, and even callas, took to walking about the lawns, they would look much as the enclosure does from a distance. But this year, all the flower beds are in deep black, and the blossoms present rather a forbidding appearance. If the shortened period of mourning had only abbreviated full mourning as well as second mourning, there would have been a different tale to tell; but as it is, there were only variations of outline and not much of hue. No one wanted to be branded an "outsider," by going to a Royal preserve in the plumage of the golden plover; indeed, even the occasional magpie was conspicuous in the assemblage of black on Tuesday.

SILHOUETTES AND SENSE.

It is high time that the smart woman looked at herself by the light of common sense. "Hop, Mary! You'll never catch the train!" cries one tight-skirted girl to another in a *Peck* aketon, and really this is scarcely caricature. The Grand Stand at Ascot presented many difficulties to ladies in skirts that clung about their feet in amazing quantities. No less trouble were the enormous hats, which, being nearly all black, presented rather the appearance of a sea of trimmed umbrellas, at the moment of the race. Of course, if we really want to look like partridges, there is no reason why we should not; but we shall soon need to tie a string to our feet to keep ourselves on the ground, if hats get much bigger.

WAISTBANDS, COLLARS, AND SLEEVES.

Waists are back where nature put them, and hats have come back to emphasise the fact. Apart from head and feet (but the extremities are important exceptions), the paddock was full of figures bearing a strong resemblance to human beings. It is a long time since this has been so what with Empire, Directoire, and Noah's Ark fashions, we have been for long draped after a method having but little relation to physiology. Now, however, waists are back, sleeves are short, collars are rare, shoulders are plain, and sweet reasonableness prevails down to our ankles and up to our hats.

PRETTY FEET AND HIGH HEELS.

With the short and very narrow skirt comes a great diversity of footwear, and an appreciable heightening of heels as a high heel is now a part of smart appearance to the foot. It certainly does not improve a walk already made extraordinary by the fashionable shoe. The smart shoe has a very long line of toe, broken up into small bars of stitched leathers fastening with enamel or diamond buckles, the line round the ankle being thus shortened. The back of the shoe comes well up, and frequently the effect is further lightened by side-pieces of paler leather than the rest of the shoe, of contrasting material, such as suede with leather, patent toes and cream leather uppers are coming in with half-mourning, but nothing but black was seen at Ascot.

BUCKLES AND SANDALS.

The buckskin of historic memory is back with us, and although it is more suitable for indoor than outdoor wear, in very fine black suede, embroidered in black, and lined with black ribbon high round the ankle, it might have been seen in the paddock. It affords a corrective to the high-heeled fashion. Another shoe is so out away that it bears a resemblance to a high-heeled sandal, if such an anomaly may be conceived. There is scarcely any covering for the toes, and the shoe is held on by ribbons laced across and across the foot. For high tops this is very becoming.

FOURTEEN IN GENERAL.

While on the subject of shoes one may mention the diversity of evening footgear at the moment. Dainty slippers made of white brocade with a flower pattern introducing the colours of the party gown, are being worn in Paris. Plain white slipper slippers, veiled with fine black Chantilly lace, are worn with transparent stockings whose whole front is a panel of Chantilly. The buckles of the Grand Monarque appear on many evening shoes, and heels are perceptibly lower in those. The buckskin is much in favour in Paris.

SEEN IN THE PADDOCK.

A clever and becoming dress was worn at Ascot by a fashionable little lady with lovely coloring. Of black not over black tulle, it was worked with black silk flowers, suggested by gaudy horizontal darnings of black silk with a slight sheen to it. This was not enough to be incorrect, but it saved the general effect from that utter deadness and heaviness which makes deep mourning so unbearably. The shoulders were seamless, but the sleeves were cut on the inner side to fit an armhole. A band of embroidery, however, encircled the bodice, and was repeated on the sleeves, in such a way that the effect of the Magyar blouse was given to the dress, without its foppiness. Round the base of the neck the dress finished with a single line of oxidised silver cord, so narrow that it scarcely showed. A band of embroidery held the draped tunic in about the knees after which the net was turned up again, and carried into the black of the belt.

HATS AND HEADS.

These two have very little to do with one another. The hat gets a part of its rests on the head; but beyond that the latter must do the best for itself that it can. A pretty woman might as well be in a harness as behind her hat-brim, so little can be seen of her. She might also be bald. Chins are important just now; they are all one can see of a good many women. Added to the largeness and droopiness of the smart hat is the fact that all the trimming must stand up on end, especially if it consists of long feathers. It is no wonder that hat-dressing in the evening is a matter of so much skill and care; it is only then that the hair is visible. Tresses, besides being as wide as they can, must be very high indeed. Eight inches of plaited straw is not considered excessive, and the trimming at the side or back is tall in proportion. Consequently tall people are enjoying themselves this season, for in every respect the fashions require height to carry them off.

HAIR-MOVING FASHIONS.

A daily paper has made the discovery that owing to mourning this is going to be a white summer. That was surely a foregone conclusion. Black hats wreathed with sweet peas will be very numerous. They are at once picturesque and correct, and also avoid monotony. It is very unlikely that much colour will be seen immediately half-mourning is over; it will be the end of July before any brilliance becomes usual.—X. AND Z. in the *Globe*.

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In the entire tribe of balloons of the dirigible type the motor has been suspended from a cigar-shaped body enclosing a balloonette and has been suspended at a considerable distance below this cigar-shaped body. This was the case in the Patrie, the Liberte, the Republique, the Ville de Nancy, and Russian balloons. The result of the suspension of the engine far below the body of the balloon is that the centre of resistance to air-pressure was at too great a distance above the centre of propulsion.

In the Blue Bird airship, which has been designed for Trans-Atlantic work, the body of the balloon is rendered rigid by the singular formation which turns the keel, as it were, into the backbone of the airship itself. The airship can carry inside the keel a crew of ten persons, two engines forward, two engines aft, and on the under side of the keel, which is 150ft. in length, is a series of immense petrol reservoirs.

This huge ship offers far less resistance to progress through the atmosphere than any ship hitherto constructed; while owing to its extremely simple design it can carry more power than any other. Moreover, it is manoeuvred with surprising ease. The whole command of the ship is concentrated in the hands of the pilot in the centre of the keel, and at his hand are very simple appliances which can, at the touch of a finger, put in or throw out of action, as desired, the motors, propellers, rudders, ventilators and valves.

It was a wonderful sight to watch Mr. Kipling's face, when the plans of the Blue Bird airship were laid before him the other day, and to watch the gradual kindling of his enthusiasm. He could hardly believe his eyes, the novelist's own story had been realised by the engineer. It was a case of Adam's dream. "He awoke and found it true."

WONDERFUL POWERS.

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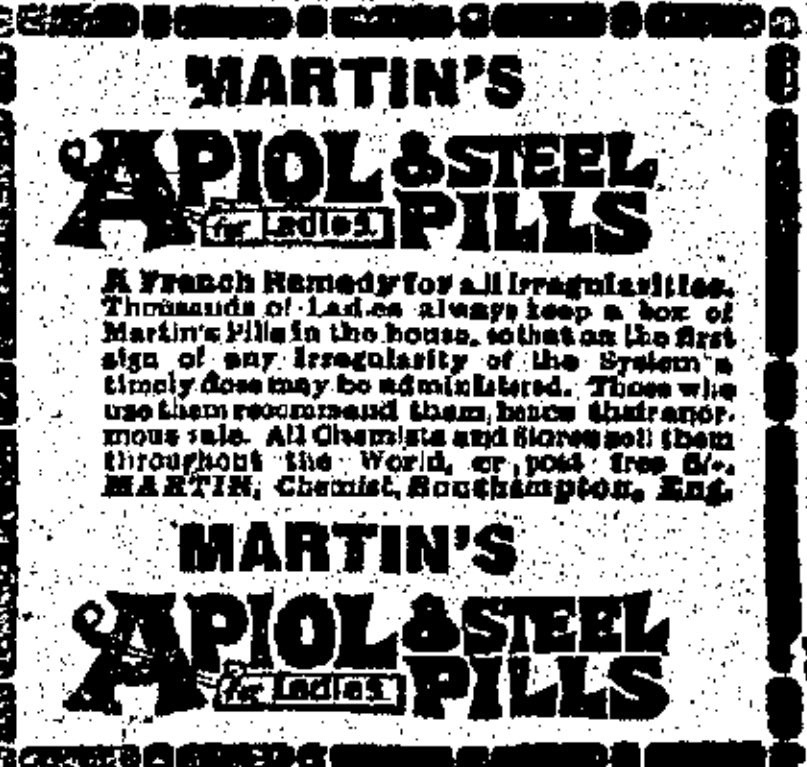
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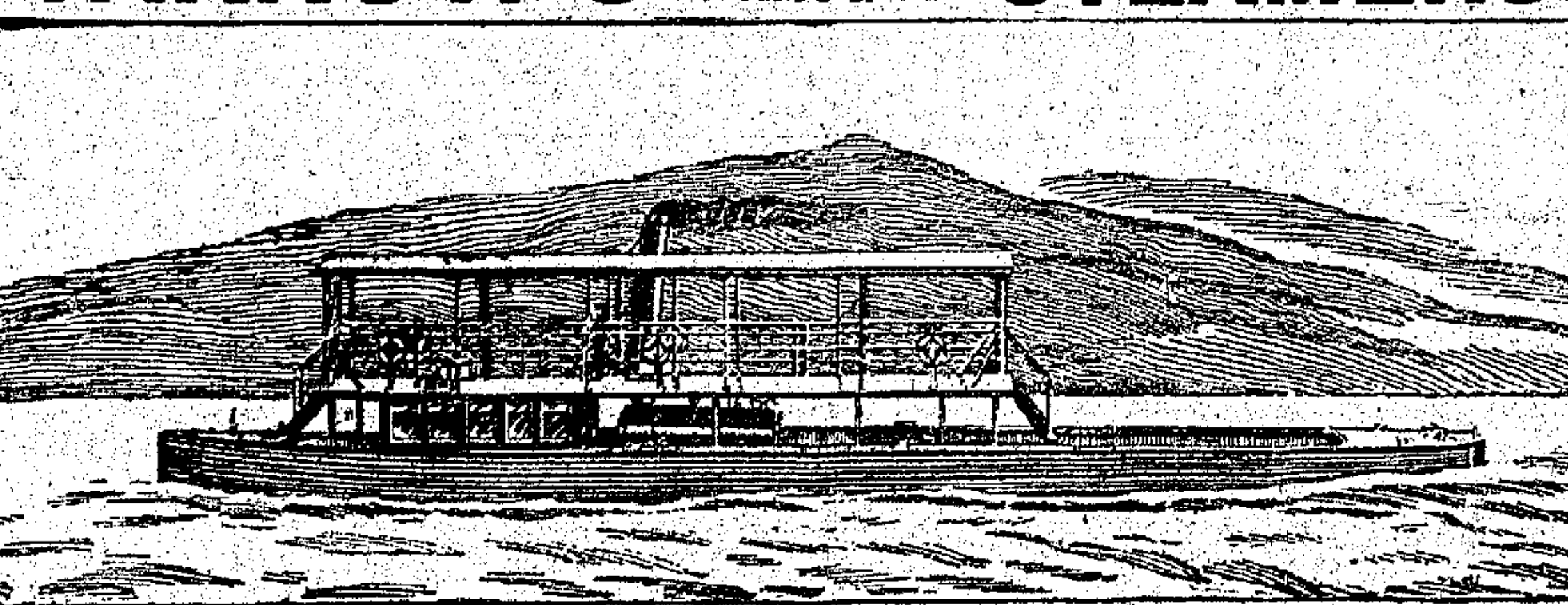
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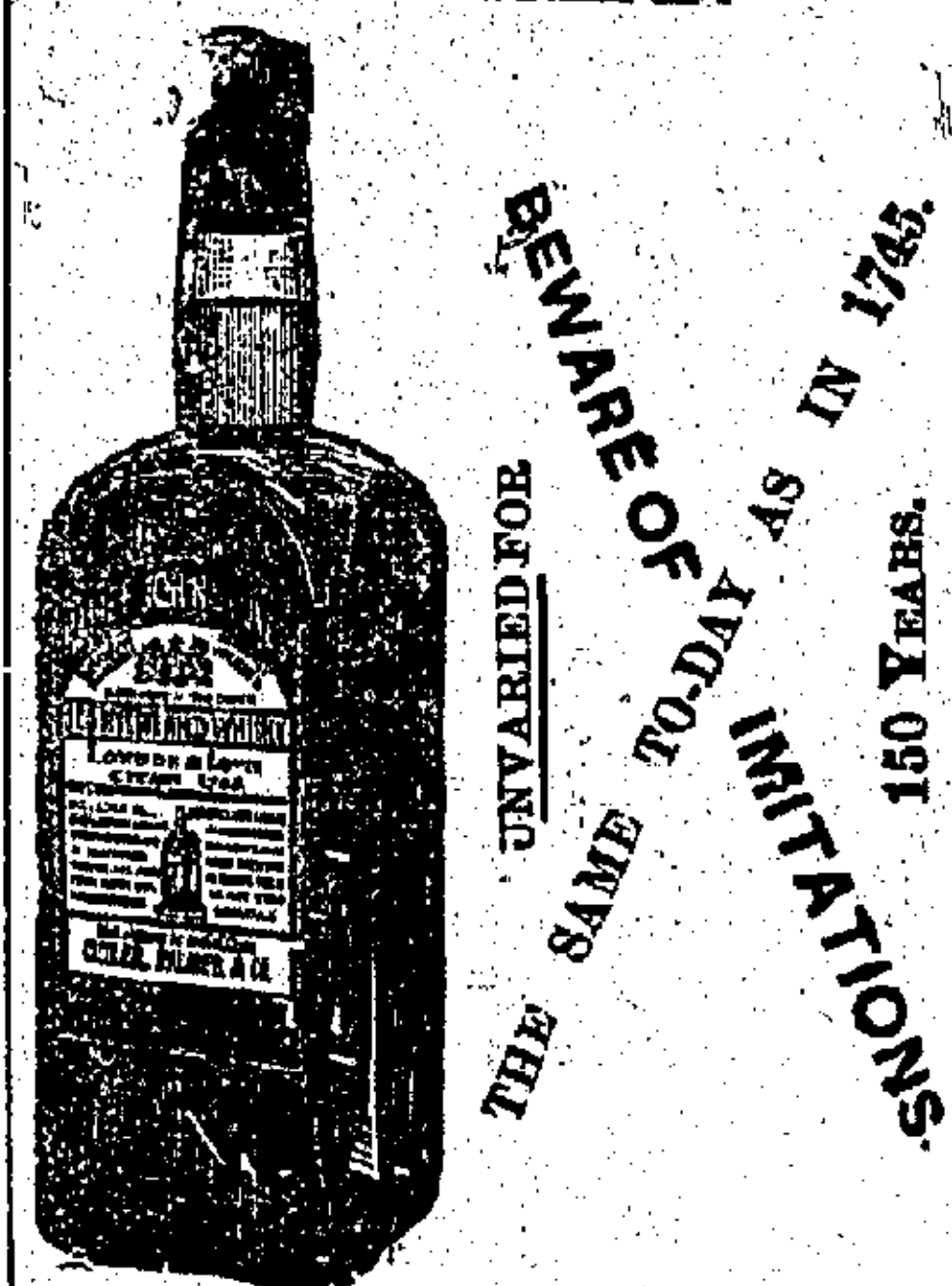


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